



### **III. Request for approval of modalities courses by providers**

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:44K-5.4 Use of physical agent modalities, the Council reviewed physical agent modalities courses submitted by:

#### **1. *CIAO* “Physical Agent Modalities in Occupational Therapy”**

Instructor: Joseph A. Gallo, DSc,ATC,PT  
Dates: June 5-7, 2015  
October 18-20, 2015  
Location: Newark, New Jersey

**THE COUNCIL, UPON THE MOTION MADE BY AIDA MENDEZ-BOUD AND SECONDED BY BETTY THOMAS, VOTED TO APPROVE COURSES FOR MODALITIES OFFERED BY *CIAO* ON JUNE 5-7 AND OCTOBER 18-20, 2015.**

#### **2. *Skills First, LLC***

“Physical Agent Modalities in Occupational Therapy”

Instructors: Linda Bedard, PT  
Kenneth Micko, PT  
Dates: To be confirmed  
Location: To be confirmed

**THE COUNCIL, UPON THE MOTION MADE BY AIDA MENDEZ-BOUD AND SECONDED BY BETTY THOMAS, VOTED TO APPROVE COURSES FOR MODALITIES OFFERED BY *SKILLS FIRST, LLC***

#### **3. *JDT VILLA***

“Advanced Physical Agents”

Instructor: James Voorhees, PT, DPT  
Dates: April 18-19, 2015  
April 25-26, 2015  
Location: To be confirmed

**THE COUNCIL, UPON THE MOTION MADE BY AIDA MENDEZ-BOUD AND SECONDED BY BISHOP CECIL MULLINGS, VOTED TO APPROVE COURSES FOR MODALITIES OFFERED BY *JDT VILLA* ON APRIL 18-19 AND APRIL 25-26, 2015.**

#### IV. NEW BUSINESS

1. E-mail inquiry- N.J.A.C. 13:44K-6.2 (j) provides that a designated supervisor who is unable to provide OTA's with close supervision for more than one day shall arrange for substitute supervision by a licensed OT who must follow the established plan of supervision. The writer asked whether that regulation permits an OTA to work without supervision. She asked if an OTA can work without supervision, how many days would that be allowed, and further asked whether it matters if the supervising OT has a scheduled or unscheduled day off.

**THE COUNCIL NOTED THAT FOR SCHEDULED DAYS OFF, THE SUPERVISOR SHOULD ARRANGE FOR ALTERNATIVE COVERAGE. FOR UNSCHEDULED ABSENCES, THE COUNCIL NOTED THAT THE SITUATIONS WILL BE FACT SPECIFIC, BUT IN NO EVENT SHOULD AN OTA WORK MORE THAN ONE (1) DAY WITHOUT ALTERNATIVE SUPERVISION BEING ARRANGED. IT IS EXPECTED THAT THERE WILL BE A FEW DAYS, IF ANY, DURING THE FIRST YEAR OF AN OTA'S PRACTICE THAT HE OR SHE WOULD BE WITHOUT CLOSE SUPERVISION.**

2. Letter from Carol Kiersnowski, OT  
RE: Occupational therapy services for students

The Council reviewed the letter inquiry from Carol Kiersnowski, OT, asking for clarification on requirements for occupational therapists within her school district and stating that statements found on the Public Consulting Group (PCG) handbook are contradictory and confusing.

**The Council asked that Ms.Kiersnowski be contacted and requested to submit the District's policies referred to in her letter, to assist the Council in responding to her inquiry.**

3. Letter from Donna Rubin, OT,

A letter submitted by Donna Rubin, OT, regarding delivery of occupational therapy services in a NeoNatal Intensive Care Unit, and an integrated model of care where physicians, occupational therapists, speech therapists, nurses and respiratory therapists provide care as part of a team.

**THE COUNCIL NOTED THAT ITS RULES ADDRESS OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY PRACTICE AND NOT THE INTEGRATED MODEL DESCRIBED BY WRITER. THE COUNCIL ACKNOWLEDGED THAT THERE IS A BENEFIT TO NICU PATIENTS TO HAVE OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY AVAILABLE. THE COUNCIL'S RULES REQUIRE AN OT TO PERFORM EVALUATION AND ESTABLISH PLAN OF CARE. PERFORMING EVALUATIONS IN CONJUNCTION WITH OTHER HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS MAY BE APPROPRIATE AND, AS THE WRITER NOTED, SERVE TO LIMIT DISRUPTION TO AN INFANT'S SLEEP. A MEDICAL DOCTOR HAS TO EXERCISE HIS/HER PROFESSIONAL JUDGEMENT IN WRITING ORDERS, BUT AN OT MUST ENSURE THAT AN OT ASSESSMENT AND PLAN OF CARE HAS BEEN COMPLETED.**

## **V. APPLICATIONS REVIEW**

**The Council, upon motion made by Aida Mendez-Boud and seconded by Bishop Cecil Mullings, voted to approve the licensure of the following applicants:**

### **OCCUPATIONAL THERAPISTS**

1.	Wolf, Miriam	46TR00679500
2.	Newman, Riki D	46TR00679600
3.	Wolfgang-Price, Alexandra E	46TR00679700
4.	Fileti, Laura R	46TR00679800
5.	Patel, Trisha	46TR00679900
6.	Shipman-Meyer, Bethany J	46TR00680000
7.	Reiher, Allison A	46TR00680100
8.	Musacchia, Kristie M	46TR00680200
9.	Kaur, Harpreet	46TR00680300
10.	Ortman, Allison F	46TR00680400
11.	Khair, Samia	46TR00680500
12.	Bailine, Helene M	46TR00680600
13.	O'Brien, Colleen A	46TR00680700
14.	Connelly, Leslie A	46TR00680800
15.	Higgins, Heather A	46TR00680900
16.	Ortiz, Erika L	46TR00681000
17.	Patire, Lauren A	46TR00681100
18.	Duensing, Lauren V	46TR00681200
19.	Gandhi, Seema P	46TR00681300
20.	McKee, Casey L	46TR00681400
21.	Schiano diCola, Angela	46TR00681500
22.	Kempf, Gretchen E	46TR00681600
23.	Orelowitz, Rachel	46TR00681700
24.	Urbanovich, Laura E	46TR00681800
25.	Kettle, Stephanie G	46TR00681900
26.	Walk, Sara L	46TR00682000
27.	Schwab, Elisheva	46TR00682100
28.	Freifeld, Rebecca	46TR00682200
29.	Schenk, Megan L	46TR00682300
30.	Stolbach, Liora B	46TR00682400
31.	Marcolongo, Sarah A	46TR00682500
32.	Skiffington, Brianna T	46TR00682600
33.	Pisapia, Sasha M	46TR00682700
34.	Garachh, Krupa G	46TR00682800
35.	Soto, Michelle V	46TR00682900
36.	Cherney, Nechama R	46TR00683000
37.	Ledesma, Lawrence L	46TR00683100
38.	Howell, Monica L	46TR00683200

39.	Wootan, Jared	46TR00683300
40.	Castro, Jorge L	46TR00683400
41.	Vinpa, Max H	46TR00683500
42.	Bhujang, Snehal Pandurang	46TR00683600
43.	Gibbons, Sarah J	46TR00683700
44.	Wineberg, Jennifer P	46TR00683800
45.	Mugo, Paul M	46TR00683900
46.	Ciocco, Roberta T	46TR00684000
47.	Beyrich, Michelle A	46TR00684100
48.	Terrones, Nevenka E	46TR00684200
49.	Swanson, Deana	46TR00684300
50.	Hintze, Rachael E	46TR00684400
51.	Weiss, Lyndsay R	46TR00684500
52.	Convery, Elena M	46TR00684600
53.	Diomampo, Mona Liza Gonzales	46TR00684700
54.	Snow, Lauren	46TR00684800
55.	Grampurohit, Namrata D	46TR00684900
56.	Marek, Caitlin C	46TR00685000
57.	Halterman, Jenifer L	46TR00685100
58.	Camacho, Juana	46TR00685200
59.	Kuruvilla, Neethu	46TR00685300
60.	Moscoso, Johanna M	46TR00685400
61.	Blevins, Paratee	46TR00685500
62.	Gustin, Jarrad T	46TR00685600
63.	Dover, Lauren B	46TR00685700
64.	Cataldo, Daniella R	46TR00685800
65.	Leonard, Leigh Voss	46TR00685900
66.	Noel, Joelle	46TR00686000
67.	Vineberg, Christy Rae	46TR00686100
68.	Shepherd, Amanda	46TR00686200
69.	Stack, Nicole A	46TR00686300
70.	Zarro, Samantha N	46TR00686400
71.	Vincent, Myriam	46TR00686500
72.	Summers-Takada, Dawn	46TR00686600
73.	Poillon, Mary L	46TR00686700
74.	Alofs, Monique R	46TR00686800
75.	Noto, Kenneth G	46TR00686900
76.	Dimaculangan, Romeo Briones	46TR00687000
77.	Conley, Samantha J	46TR00687100
78.	Engel, Brittany L.	46TR00687200
79.	Arambulo, Katherine Joey	46TR00687300
80.	Thandalam, Meadhini	46TR00687400
81.	Fiuczynski, Elizabeth S	46TR00687500
82.	Enam, Nabila S	46TR00687600
83.	Bingle, Kathryn E	46TR00687700
84.	Chico, Alyssa C	46TR00687800
85.	Gohel, Falguni	46TR00687900
86.	Aizen, Christie L	46TR00688000
87.	Villanueva, Pearl Maria Chalos	46TR00688100
88.	Lattanzi, Debra L	46TR00688200
89.	Sachs, Melissa L	46TR00688300

## **OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ASSISTANTS**

1.	Tahmoosh, Nichole M	46TA09105200
2.	Muniz, Francis Paul T	46TA09105300
3.	Robertson, Daniel D	46TA09105400
4.	Reeves, Jenna K	46TA09105500
5.	Lovell, Joanna R	46TA09105600
6.	Magarelli, Catherine	46TA09105700
7.	Freilich, Rachel L	46TA09105800
8.	Brown, Leslie	46TA09105900
9.	Solomon, Dulce Jane	46TA09106000
10.	Corral, Mitchell	46TA09106100
11.	Crossin, Rachael E	46TA09106200
12.	Murphy, Mary P	46TA09106300
13.	Shields, Jacqueline Suzanne	46TA09106400
14.	McNamee, Kaitlyn	46TA09106500
15.	Orfanoudakis, Fran	46TA09106600
16.	Dastine, Sophia	46TA09106700
17.	Zanoria, Marlou S	46TA09106800
18.	Wong, Meylin	46TA09106900
19.	Rolstad, Jessica L	46TA09107000

## **V. ADJOURNMENT**

At 12:40 P.M. the Council, upon motion made by Bishop Cecil Mullings and seconded by Aida Mendez-Boud, voted to move into the Executive Session to consider and to review consumer complaints, investigative reports and other information receive pursuant to the Council's regulations. The result of these deliberations will be made known when and if the Council determines to initiate disciplinary or other enforcement action. If the Council determines to issue any sanction, action will be taken in public session immediately after the executive session.

**At 12:55 P.M. the Council, returned form Executive Session, and upon motion made by Bishop Cecil Mullings and seconded by Aida Mendez-Boud, voted to adjourn the meeting.**

Respectfully submitted,

Laura L. Anderson  
Executive Director